

The Challenge

Jamaica's economy remains fragile and susceptible to external economic shocks and natural disasters such as Hurricane Ivan in 2004. The challenge of managing the risk of economic shocks puts a premium on sound economic fundamentals and on the Government of Jamaica (GOJ) continuing the prudent macroeconomic and financial policies that it has adopted in recent years. Structural reforms are necessary to reduce the economy's vulnerability to external shocks, create employment generating growth, and to reverse Jamaica's declining economic competitiveness. Factors that have to be tackled include rising real wages relative to outpacing productivity, public sector debt crowding out credit for private investment, inadequately maintained infrastructure, declining social services, and high crime and violence which raise the cost of doing business and dissuade investments. Over the longer term, Jamaica needs to increase investment in human capital, especially for quality education.

Objectives, Sectors and Workforce

Mission Director: Karen Turner

MCA Status: Currently Not Eligible

PEPFAR Focus Country: No

Provided or Received Services From Other Missions: Received

Program Budget (Appropriations by Objective)

	FY 2004 (\$000)	FY 2005 (\$000)	FY 2006 (\$000)	FY 2007 (\$000)	Percent Change FY 04-07	2005 SO Performance Score	Direct SO Admin. Cost Ratio
532-002 Sustainable Improvement of Natural Resources	3,957	0	0	0	N/A	1.33 Exceeded	N/A
532-003 Improved Reproductive Health	3,488	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
532-004 Improving Education Quality in Jamaica	4,677	0	0	0	N/A	1.46 Exceeded	N/A
532-006 Enhancing Business Development in Jamaica	2,210	0	0	0	N/A	1.61 Exceeded	N/A
532-008 Strengthening Democracy and Governance in	2,599	1,522	0	0	N/A	1.32 Exceeded	0.06
532-009 Economic Growth	717	2,574	1,428	0	N/A		0.41
532-010 Environment	0	4,224	2,246	2,269	N/A	N/A	0.24
532-011 Health	1,133	4,542	4,472	2,810	148.0%		0.22
532-012 Education	0	2,980	3,430	3,285	N/A	N/A	0.32
532-013 Democracy and Governance	0	1,103	2,475	1,837	N/A	N/A	0.71
532-014 Disaster Rehabilitation and Preparedness	0	18,000	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.04
Country Total	18,781	34,945	14,051	10,201	-45.7%		

Program Budget (Appropriations by Account)

	FY 2004 (\$000)	FY 2005 (\$000)	FY 2006 (\$000)	FY 2007 (\$000)	Percent Change FY 04-07
Child Survival and Health Programs Fund	4,621	4,542	4,472	2,810	-39.2%
Development Assistance	14,160	12,403	9,579	7,391	-47.8%
International Disaster and Famine Assistance	0	18,000	0	0	N/A
Total	18,781	34,945	14,051	10,201	-45.7%

Program Budget by Sector and Account

	FY 2004 (\$000)	FY 2005 (\$000)	FY 2006 (\$000)	FY 2007 (\$000)	Percent Change FY 04-07
Basic Education DA	4,677	2,980	3,430	3,285	-29.8%
Agriculture and Environment DA	3,957	4,224	2,246	2,269	-42.7%
Economic Growth DA	2,927	2,574	1,428	0	N/A
Human Rights DA	100	150	0	0	N/A
Democracy and Governance DA	1,499	2,475	2,475	1,837	22.5%
Conflict Management / Humanitarian Assistance DA	1,000	0	0	0	N/A
IDA	0	18,000	0	0	N/A
Family Planning / Reproductive Health CSH	2,250	2,178	1,980	1,000	-55.6%
HIV / AIDS CSH	1,300	1,315	1,485	1,300	0.0%
Child Survival and Maternal Health CSH	544	539	497	0	N/A
Other Infectious Diseases CSH	527	510	510	510	-3.2%
Total	18,781	34,945	14,051	10,201	-45.7%

Workforce

	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	Percent Change FY 04-07
US Direct Hires	6	7	7	7	16.7%
US Non Direct Hires	6	7	7	7	16.7%
Foreign Nationals	72	65	65	65	-9.7%
Total	84	79	79	79	-6.0%

Operating Expense	FY 2004 (\$000)	FY 2005 (\$000)	FY 2006 (\$000)	FY 2007 (\$000)	Percent Change FY 04-07
Salaries and benefits	1,380	1,334	1,354	1,354	-1.9%
Travel	245	229	69	58	-76.3%
Transportation of things	66	14	54	64	-3.0%
Rent	245	222	202	202	-17.6%
Security	413	419	377	377	-8.7%
Equipment	87	77	4	3	-96.6%
ICASS - Operating Expense only	89	69	106	106	19.1%
Other Operating Expense	613	620	318	320	-47.8%
Total OE Budget	3,138	2,984	2,484	2,484	-20.8%
US direct hire salary and benefits	923	762	807	894	-3.1%
Program Funded Administrative Expenses				1,468	
Country Total Administrative Budget				4,846	
Percent of Bureau OE Total				6.0%	

Mission Summary	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Program per US Direct Hire (\$000)	3,130	4,992	2,007	1,457
Program per All US (\$000)	1,565	2,496	1,004	729
Program per Position (\$000)	224	442	178	129
Operating Expense as % of Program Funding				24.4%
Program Funded Admin Expense as % of Total Admin				30.3%
Total Admin Expense as % of Program Funding				47.5%

Other Major Donors:

Bilateral: United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Japan

Multilateral: European Union, United Nations organizations, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, Inter-American Development Bank, Caribbean Development Bank.